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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC, June 19, 2002.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STEVEN C. LATOURETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore

J. DENNIS HASTERT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Right Reverend Lipscomb, Bishop, Episcopal Diocese of Southwest Florida, Parrish, Florida, offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, Sovereign and Lord of all, we commend to You those who serve in the several branches of the government of our Nation. Especially we pray this day for the representatives of the people of the United States gathered in this Chamber to seek and to do Your will for those who elected them to this high office. We offer You grateful Thanksgiving for all who serve in this House with honor and integrity. Guard them from the presumption of self-importance and self-interest. Give them clarity of vision and thought. Renew in them a passion for justice and freedom. Endue them with the courage needed to guard the dignity and extend the blessings of liberty to all the people of our great Nation and of the whole Earth. All this we ask in Your holy Name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be post-

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from Virginia (Mrs. Jo ANN DAVIS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. DAN MILLER) is recognized for 1 minute to introduce the guest chap-

There was no objection.

BISHOP JOHN BAILEY LIPSCOMB

(Mr. DAN MILLER of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAN MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, today Bishop John Bailey Lipscomb, who gave our very eloquent prayer this morning, is from my hometown of Bradenton, Florida. Bishop Lipscomb was instituted as the Fourth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Southwest Florida in 1997. The Diocese of Southwest Florida covers the area from Brooksville, Florida, which is north of Tampa, south to Naples, and includes my area along the Gulf of Mexico, as well as portions of the gentlemen from Florida's (Mr. BILIRAKIS), (Mr. Young), (Mr. Davis), (Mr. Put-NAM), (Mr. Goss) and the gentlewoman from Florida's (Mrs. THURMAN) districts in our area of southwest Florida.

Born in Alexandria, Virginia, Bishop Lipscomb grew up in Jacksonville. He received his BA from the University of North Carolina, Asheville, his Master's in Divinity degree from the School of Theology of the University of South Sewanee, his Doctor of Ministry degree from the Graduate Theological Foundation and is a Fellow of the Foundation. Bishop Lipscomb has worked in several States throughout the South and as chaplain of the Louisiana National Guard. Bishop Lipscomb served on active duty during Operation Desert Shield.

Bishop Lipscomb and his wife, Marcie, have two children, Matthew and Natalie, and four grandchildren. The Lipscombs are very active in my community, and I have had the pleasure of working with them personally, especially and most recently on the Boys and Girls Club in Manatee County. It is my honor to be able to welcome him here today and consider him my friend.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, the pending

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